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Kathy Longacre, co-chair SLO County Trails Committee (TAC)
Advisory to SLO County Parks and Recreation Committee
At the joint meeting of the SLO County Bicycle Committee (BAC) and TAC on 5/14/2013 the first item discussed was the DEIR of the Oster/Las Pilitas Rock Quarry.

After the short presentation from the representative of the project and much discussion TAC is very concerned for the following reasons:

- number of vehicle trips (representative said maximum 273 which calculates out to 1 truck every 2.5 minutes during hours of operations) from 6 am to 5 pm M-F
- size of the vehicles- truck with trailer-
- 3 very tight and dangerous curves along route
- narrow shoulder if any, and no options for adding a bicycle lane

The operations of this proposed quarry will negatively affect a very popular bicycle route with no way to mitigate it in the areas affected.

The representative from the Oster/Las Pilitas Rock Quarry said that they would be willing to help with other areas that BAC or TAC could recommend but it was discussed that improvements to routes or trails outside of the affected area would not compensate for the dangerous conditions on the proposed route.

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